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***VIA FACSIMILE and
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Hon. Beth O'Donnell
Executive Director
Public Service Commission
211 Sower Blvd.
Frankfort, KY 40601

2006-00192

Re: *In the Matter of Interconnection Agreement Between Ballard Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation, Inc. and Big River Telephone Co., LLC*

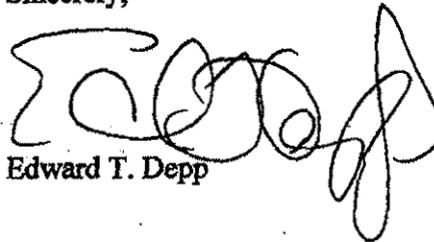
Dear Executive Director O'Donnell:

This firm is legal counsel to Ballard Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation, Inc. ("Ballard Rural").

Ballard Rural has received the Motion for Expedited Approval ("Motion") filed by Big River Telephone Co., LLC ("Big River") on Monday, May 15, 2006 in connection with the above-referenced matter. Please be advised that Ballard Rural intends to respond in opposition to Big River's Motion by no later than Thursday, May 25, 2006, which is ten days after Big River's service of the Motion. Accordingly, Ballard Rural respectfully requests that the Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Kentucky abstain from ruling on Big River's Motion until after that date.

Thank you, and if you have any questions, please call me.

Sincerely,



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